

Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Office of the Governor

Saipan, Mariana Islands 96950

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Mr. Jeffery Farrow Domestic Policy Staff The White House Washington, DC

Dear Mr. Farrow:

Enclosed is a copy of the Stipulated Voluntary Dismissal of our fisheries law suit. As the document indicates, my administration initiated the dismissal as a good faith effort to resolve any fishery development problems in an atmosphere of cooperation. The order was entered into without regard to the merits of the case and should not be interpreted to mean that all the issues have been resolved.

The Commonwealth still has some very basic, significant problems to overcome before the fishing industry can grow. I am encouraged by the increased communication in this area, but emphasize that without prompt and positive action by both my administration and the federal government my people will have benefited little.

Thus, I am relying on the United States Government to share our spirit of cooperation and work closely with us in the immediate future so that our marine resources industries can become self-sustaining as quickly as possible. Only in this manner can my people and the federal government gain the maximum benefits in the long run.

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CARLOS S. CAMACHO

Governor

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE

NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS,

ONESTATER OF THE NORTHERN) CIVIL ACTION NO. 79-041

Plaintiff,

VS.

VOLUNTARY DISMISSAL BY STIPULATION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, et al.,

Defendants.

VOLUNTARY DISMISSAL BY STIPULATION

COMES NOW Plaintiff, Commonwealth of the Northern

Mariana Islands, by its attorney the Office of the Attorney

General, pursuant to Rule 41(a)(1)(ii) FRCP, for the purpose

of voluntarily dismissing without prejudice its complaint in

the above-captioned case.

WHEREAS, the Plaintiff has been in communication with representatives of the federal government. This communication indicates a willingness by both parties to work in harmony for the development of Plaintiff's fishing industry; and

WHEREAS, representatives of the federal government have provided assurances that communication and joint effort to solve the existing problems shall continue;

NOW, THEREFORE, without reference to the relative merits of the case by either party, it is agreed and stipulated that this matter be dismissed without prejudice.

KENNETH O. LARSON
Acting Attorney General
Attorney for Plaintiff

VERIFICATION: On this 12 day of June, 1980, appeared before me KENNETH O. LARSON, known to me to be the Acting Attorney General for the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and stated under oath that he executed the foregoing document in his official capacity for the purposes and intent contained therein.

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My Commission Expires on the
13th, day of Spillfaller, 1981.

Notary Public in and for the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands

DAVID T. WOOD United States Attorney District of the Northern Mariana Islands Attorney for Defendants

VERIFICATION: On this \(\frac{1}{2} \) day of June, 1980, appeared before me DAVID T. WOOD, known to me to be the United States Attorney for the District of the Northern Mariana Islands, and stated under oath that he executed the foregoing document in his official capacity for the purposes and intent contained therein.

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SO ORDERED, this 12 th day of June 1980.